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### A Penny for your Thoughts

"Do you feel that women who do not plan a career need a college education?"

"That was the question the HERALD's inquiring photographer asked several women in Torrance this week. Their answers and pictures appear below:

**Mrs. Florence Fansler, 1210 El Prado St., housewife:**  
"I think everyone should have a college education. There may come a time in a woman's life when she may need to fall back on it. I am not a college graduate."

**Mrs. Sue Seward, 2409 Torrance Blvd., housewife:**  
"I think a college education helps in all walks of life—regardless of whether a woman plans a career. It even helps in raising children. I had a year of college."

**Mrs. Tom Lambert, 406 W. Griffith, Gardena, housewife:**  
"Definitely. It gives a woman self-reliance and broader knowledge and experience. I attended Junior College, and feel I definitely benefited by the experience."

**Mrs. Dorrine Copeland, 22511 Halldale, housewife:**  
"No, I don't think so. I feel that women are better suited for a life as wife and mother without having to be in college. I planned on being a housewife, didn't go to college, and feel it was a wise decision."

**Mrs. Wayne Strittmatter, 1514 Engracia, housewife:**  
"Not really. It all depends on the woman. If a woman plans to make her home her career, college isn't necessary. I didn't attend college."

### Joanne Forest Wins Scholarship

Joanne Forest of Narbonne High School will receive a \$300 Junior Achievement cash scholarship at the fifth annual Future Unlimited Banquet to be held at the Hollywood Palladium Wednesday, according to Leroy E. Lattin, banquet chairman. She will be one of five students of the Los Angeles school district to receive the cash awards. Funds for the scholarships come from profits of 7 miniature firms operated by Junior Achievement young-

### Owners Seeking City OK

A formal offer of sale to the Dominguez Water Co. has been made by the board of directors of the Narbonne Ranch Water Co. No. 3, it was reported by an officer of the mutual water company this week.

Harold F. LaMour, vice president of the water firm which serves much of the Torrance oilfield area, said the Dominguez firm expressed interest in buying the water rights, "but... it was definitely stated that they were reluctant to proceed without the knowledge and approval of the council of the city of Torrance."

DOMINGUEZ has been involved with the city in other disputed water rights cases, and is currently battling before the Public Utilities Commission to regain the right to serve water to the Southwest Park area which it is scheduled to give up in about five years.

"In considering this matter of sale, it should be kept in mind that the people of south Torrance will benefit in three ways," LaMour said in a letter to Mayor Albert Isen about the proposed Dominguez deal.

"ONE, THEY WILL receive a prorated share of the net profits of this sale. Two, they will be relieved of the expense of a costly assessment district; and thirdly, they will have adequate pressure and the fire safety factor desired..."

LaMour went on to say there was nothing amiss about the proposed sale.

"BUT IT IS truly near a Utopia when the taxpayer is given an opportunity to save rather than spend money," he added.

The area covered by the Narbonne Ranch Water Co. has been declared a hazard area by the city council and all buildings in the area has been banned except under certain hardship cases.

**Assign Teachers Double Classes**  
The Torrance School Board Tuesday night decided to assign two classes—one morning and one afternoon—to each kindergarten teacher in local schools. At present each teacher only has one class.

Assigning two classes to each teacher will save about \$105,000 on next year's budget.



BASEBALL BEAUTIES... Linda Wetzel, 11, and Toni Mangladli, 16, were judged Little Miss League and Miss Torrance Baseball, respectively, in a beauty contest held Saturday at City Hall. (Herald photo)

### Case Against Mate Delayed

A 42-year-old Torrance housewife charged with shooting her husband after an argument here April 22 was free on \$500 bail Friday after Municipal Judge Otto B. Willett was told her husband was too ill to appear in court and too ill to be interrogated at Harbor General Hospital.

Bail for Mrs. Duane Schultz, of 2654 W. Carson St., was reduced at the same time the preliminary hearing on charges filed against her for assault with a deadly weapon with intent to commit murder was postponed until July 10.

DEPUTY D. A. Tom McNary told the court that he had been unable to interview Schultz because of his serious condition, and that it would be several weeks, at least, before he would be permitted to discuss the case with the wounded man.

Schultz was shot in the lower abdomen after a family quarrel at the couple's home Wednesday evening, April 22. Detectives reported after the shooting that the couple had been drinking wine and apparently had been arguing be-



MODEL RACE WINNERS... Readying their tiny cars for a race down an inclined ramp are (left) Greg Barker, 9, of 25819 Skylark Dr., Torrance, and Danny Pearson, 8, of 26346 Regent St., Lomita. Greg won two city-wide honors in his age group. They were among two score boys who view in a model auto racing championship conducted by the Torrance Recreation Dept. on Saturday. (Herald photo)

### Postmaster Asks Aid In War on Filth

Postmaster Clara A. Conner appealed for public support today in the intensified war Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield has declared on the "ruthless mail order merchants in filth who are violating the homes of the nation in defiance of the national government."

Using one of the nation's most cherished privileges to carry on their smutty trade—the uncensored letter—"barons of obscenity" today are sending unsorted lewd materials into our mailboxes, much of it directed to teen-age youngsters, Mrs. Conner explained. The materials offered for sale include filthy films and books, and dirty pictures, slides and related filth, advertised in highly objectionable circulars that are being sent indiscriminately to homes here and all over the nation, she said.

Postmaster General Summerfield has advised the local postmaster that \$500,000,000 is being taken in annually by large mail order dealers in pornography and obscenity. Postal authorities here, as well as those over the nation, receive complaints from many groups. Nationally, complaints are reported from leading clergymen, school groups, newspaper editors and alarmed parents. During a recent 12-month

period, the local postmaster was advised, postal inspectors conducted 4000 investigations on obscene and pornographic mail and caused the arrest of 293 persons dealing in this filth. This is an increase of 45 per cent over the previous year, and an all-time high, according to the Postmaster General. Moreover, Summerfield has emphasized to local postal officials that the threat is increasing.

Indicative of the extensive operations of the filth factories that are invading the homes of the nation with their suggestive advertisements and dirty materials, Summerfield noted that within the past few weeks simultaneous raids by U. S. Marshals and Postal Inspectors in New York City resulted in seizure of 15 tons of dirty films, slides, photographs, and other smut, and a mailing list, used nationally, containing 100,000 names.

Another raid in recent days yielded huge quantities of filth from the premises of a Santa Monica dealer in especially objectionable films and photographs. "No longer do dealers in smut surreptitiously serve only a few adults," the local postmaster explained. "They brazenly solicit our children, sending their materials indiscriminately and without conscience into our home mail boxes."

### Women to Hear GOP Speaker

Mrs. Valley Knudsen will discuss her recent trip to Russia at a meeting of the South Bay Club of Federated Republican Women to be held at the Smith Bros. Fish Shanty, 4020 Pacific Coast Highway, at 12:30 noon Thursday.

Reports on the less-publicized phases of the recent Republican Women's Conference in Washington will be given by Mrs. Mildred Beckstrand, Mrs. Mabel Straton, and Mrs. Margaret Moodie.

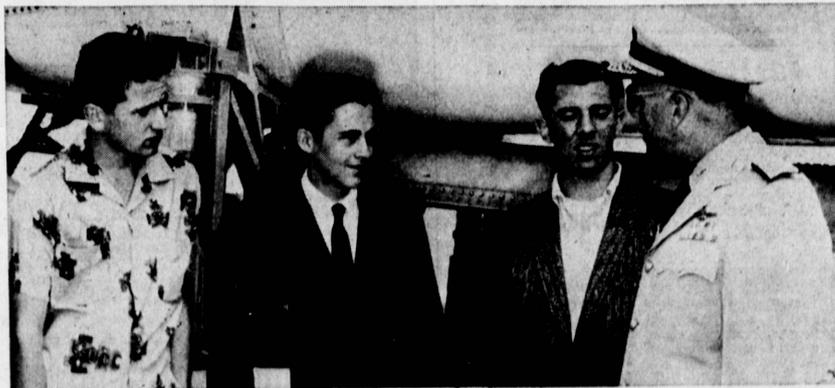
Persons desiring luncheon reservations are asked to call either FR 2-2383 or FR 5-7209.

### RYAN EXPANDS

Construction of an electronics test facility in support of Ryan Aeronautical Co.'s electronics research and development program will begin early this summer at the Ryan Electronics Div.'s Kearny Mesa plant, San Diego, according to T. Claude Ryan, president and chairman of the board.



ACCEPT GAVEL... George Mercer, new chairman of the Shoestring Strip Advisory Committee, accepts his gavel of authority from Herman Eisenbeis (right), who has held the post for the past two years. Mercer heads a staff of new officials installed by Councilman John S. Gibson (center) last week. Meetings of the Shoestring Strip Advisory Committee are held the second Tuesday of each month. They are open to all residents.



NAVY DAY WINNERS... Winners in the third annual "Day in the Navy" writing contest sponsored by the Public Relations Company 11-2, Naval Reserve, receive their prizes during a special tour of the Pacific Air Missile Range at Point Mugu. Highlights of the tour was the

launching and recovery of a Regulus I missile. Left to right are Kit Taylor, South High; Mike Bottomley, Monrovia-Duarte High; Jerry Karp, Verdugo Hills High; and Rear Admiral Jack P. Monroe, commander of the range. (Official U. S. Navy photo)

### South High Student Wins Navy Day Writing Honors

Kit Taylor of 548 Calle Mayor, a student at South High School, has been named as a winner in the third annual "A Day in the Navy" writing contest for scholastic journalists. Taylor received his award at Point Mugu last week following a tour of the Pacific Air Missile Range facility by 42 award winners.

The South Bay student placed eleventh in the category of published stories about his experiences at sea March 26 when he was one of 400 young reporters who sailed aboard a cruiser and two destroyers. During his visit to Pt. Mugu,

Taylor witnessed the actual launching and recovery of a Regulus I missile. He was given a letter addressed to him which had been postmarked at Pt. Mugu and put aboard the Regulus for its flight, thus becoming one of the first 42 persons to receive "mail by missile."

He toured the control rooms for the Regulus and other new missiles, the telemetry and test laboratories and had dinner on the base, prior to receiving a portable typewriter for his winning entry.



H. BRAD ATWOOD... To Discuss Railroads

### Kiwanis To Hear Rail Man

Torrance Kiwanis Club will hear a talk on "The Iron Horse in the Jet Age" at a dinner meeting to be held tomorrow at 6:30 p.m. at Caprino's Cafe. Speaker will be H. Brad Atwood, assistant public relations manager in Southern California for Southern Pacific Railroad, its truck, pipeline and warehouse subsidiaries and its subsidiary Pacific Electric Railway. A UCLA alumnus and former newspaper editor, Atwood has been in the public relations field since 1948 and with SP for nine years.

### Narbonne Junior Gets Study Award

Kenneth B. Hansgen, Narbonne High School junior, was named this week as one of 26 science students selected from a four-county group of 240 science students selected from a four-county group of 240 candidates to attend an intensive seven-week summer course in science, mathematics, and satellite-tracking at the Thacher School near Ojai, according to Dr. Richard Sutton, chairman of the program's executive committee.

The intensive course—first of its kind in the West and extending from June 23 to August 11—is being sponsored by Caltech, Helms Foundation, Inc., Hughes Aircraft Co., Ralph E. Lloyd Foundation, and the Thacher School.